



Collective Worship Theme this half term = Honesty & Trust

Attendance this week is **96.20 %** (target is 96%)

29 Sept 2023

School News and Message from the Headteacher

The excitement of the mysterious playground egg continued this week in the Wrens class, with the children checking in every day to see what might happen. There has been some wonderful writing taking place linked to the children's amazing creations.

The Robins have been developing their descriptive writing linked to the adventures of Sir Galahad, using their best adverbial phrases to make their writing more effective.

Our Owls have been developing their number skills in maths, exploring common factors and investigating tests for divisibility. Their history learning about the Romans is in full swing as they prepare for their trip to Aldborough Roman site.

May I remind everyone about our parent-teacher consultations taking place next week. These form an important part of our home-school partnership. Thank you in advance for taking the time to attend.

Mrs Elsey

HARVEST FESTIVAL We are holding our Harvest Festival at St Aidan's Church at 2.30 pm on Wednesday 11 October. Parents are welcome to join us. We welcome **non-perishable** donations which we will be taking to The Food Bank in Kirkbymoorside.



*First the blade, then the ear,
then the full grain.*
@SchoolGillamoor

Gillamoor C of E Primary School

This week's winning House is Ash

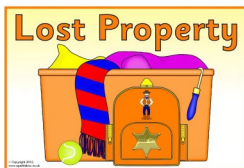
Last week's winning House was Elm

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 3 Oct—2.45pm-5.00 pm Parent Consultation
- 3 Oct-FGB
- 3 Oct-Y6 information evening, Ryedale School at 6.00 pm
- 4 Oct—3.45pm-6.00 pm Parent Consultation
- 9 Oct-Closing date for School Administrator vacancy
- 11 Oct-Harvest Festival, 2.30pm
- 13 Oct-Film Night 6.30 pm
- 18 Oct-school photographs
- 20 Oct- Y3/4 Girls Football, Ryedale
- 20 Oct-Stay and Play 9.30am-11.00am
- 22 Oct-Domino Drive, Fadmoor Village Hall 2.00pm-4.00pm
- 26 Oct-Influenza Vaccinations
- 27 Oct- Y5/6 Girls Football, Ryedale.
- 27 Oct-break up
- 6 Nov-return to school

Lost Property

We have already accumulated a large selection of lost property. If your child has any items missing, please can you check the lost property. As this uniform does not have a name on, we are unable to return it to the correct pupil. Please can you ensure all uniform is named.



JOB VACANCY

School Administrator required

We require a School Administrator to work 6.5 hours on a Friday. Full details and application form is on our school website and on the northyorks.gov.uk job page.

If anyone would like any further information, please contact Mrs Hugill.



The first event will be Friday 13th October with our first Cinema night, more details to follow on this. We are also looking for someone to design a logo for the FOGS group so if you can or know of anyone who might be able to help us with this please let us know.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs every morning and starts at **8.00 am until 8.45 am**. Please can pupils not be dropped in school before 8.00 am to ensure we have Staffing and provisions ready.

World Space Week Lunch

On Thursday 5 October, Mrs Thackeray is preparing a World Space Week Lunch which we hope all pupils will join us. Chicken wraps, veg/salad sticks, skinny fries, doughnut.

Reception places for 2024

We are holding some stay and play sessions for anyone who is considering applying for a place for their child for September 2024 entry to Reception.

Friday 20 October 9.30 am—11.00 am
Wednesday 15 November 1.15 pm—2.45 pm
Tuesday 5 December 1.15 pm—2.45 pm

Please call to book a place and pass on to friends who may be interested.

Appointments

We are having an increasing number of pupils missing school due to dental, optician and medial appointments. Unless these are urgent, please can these be made out of school time. Even 1 hour of missed learning per half-term still equates to more than a full day missed over the school year.

Hair

Please can long hair be fastened back for school, especially for PE/swimming.

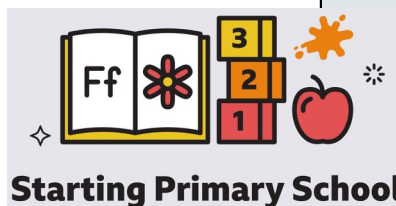
Parent Workshops:

We will be running a series of parent workshops this year. Please see below for the topics we will be covering this half-term.

These sessions are free to attend, but we will be sending out a sign-up email each week, so that we know if there is interest before planning a topic. We have scheduled the sessions for 3pm, but if we receive enough interest, we can look into running these a little later in the day, if preferred.

10.10.23—School phonics and reading with your child

24.10.23—Online Safety - What's App, Snapchat and Parental settings workshop



Staff Training/meetings

First aid training

Marigold

School Lunches

Week beginning 2 October is week 2 of our menu.

The dates are on the top of your menus.



Online Safety is a serious subject and as teachers, we are keen to help parents understand ways they can act to keep their children safe online. Each week, I will share a link to materials from the National Online Safety organisation. This week's theme is a general overview of online content and ways to help keep your child safe online.

At National Online Safety we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information they need to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one issue of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

ONLINE CONTENT

10 tips to keep your children safe online

The internet has transformed the ability to access content. Many apps that children use are dependent on user-generated content which can encourage freedom of expression, imagination and creativity. However, due to the sheer volume uploaded every day, it can be difficult for platforms to regulate and moderate everything, which means that disturbing or distressing images, videos or audio clips can slip through the net. That's why we've created this guide to provide parents and carers with some useful tips on keeping children safe online.



1 MONITOR VIEWING HABITS

Whilst most apps have moderation tools, inappropriate content can still slip through the net.



2 CHECK ONLINE CONTENT

Understand what's being shared or what seems to be 'trending' at the moment.



3 CHECK AGE-RATINGS

Make sure they are old enough to use the app and meet the recommended age-limit.



4 CHANGE PRIVACY SETTINGS

Make accounts private and set content filters and parental controls where possible.



5 SPEND TIME ON THE APP

Get used to how apps work, what content is available and what your child likes to watch.



6 LET CHILDREN KNOW YOU'RE THERE

Ensure they know that there is support and advice available to them if they need it.



7 ENCOURAGE CRITICAL THINKING

Talk about what people might post online and why some posts could cause distress.



8 LEARN HOW TO REPORT & BLOCK

Always make sure that children know how to use the reporting tools on social media apps.



9 KEEP AN OPEN DIALOGUE

If a child sees distressing material online; listen to their concerns, empathise and offer reassurance.



10 SEEK FURTHER SUPPORT

If a child has been affected by something they've seen online, seek support from your school's safeguarding lead.



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